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**PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 09/542,897  
Applicant: Jerry H. Chisnell  
Filed: April 4, 2000  
Title: Composite Sleeve For Sealing A Tubular Coupling

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Examiner: Vishal A. Patel

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

To highlight the distinction of the above referenced invention over the prior art as interpreted by the Examiner in the Office Action of June 3, 2003, Paper No. 12, no amendments were made to the claims or the specification and the undersigned offers the following remarks:

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.**